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Classified By: Acting P/E Counselor Doug Apostol, reasons 1.4 (b), (d)

(C) We delivered reftel to MFA Security Policy Section Senior Advisor Bjoern Midthun on July 3. Midthun was pleased to receive our demarche, because he was not sure that the Norwegian Mission to NATO had forwarded him the copy we passed. Midthun said Norway is very positive about participating in the establishment of the Middle East Security Cooperation Center, but he was doubtful that Norway would deliver a demarche to countries in the region similar to that of reftel before the July 5 NAC plus 7 meeting.

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